

## The Band of Relatives experience 75th D-Day

### Lee Jenkins shares highlights of Normandy trip

The 'Band of Relatives' flew out of Minneapolis June 3, bound for Normandy, France, to take part in the 75th anniversary of the D-Day landing. Members of this group included Lee Jenkins, Staples; Jim Greig, Motley; Todd and Tanner Greig, Sheridan, Wyo.; and John and Erik Carlson, Rapid City, S.D.

They were in France from June 3 - 7 and upon their return, Jenkins stopped by the Staples World to share some photo highlights and a daily chronicle of the 'once in a lifetime' trip taken by the

Band of Relatives. They are included below.

**DAY ONE, JUNE 4** - For us the beginning of a very long day, but for the men and women of all the Armed Forces combined it was a much longer day. As in the movie title, "The Longest Day."

After an eight hour flight from Minneapolis we arrived in Degaule Airport. We had a rental car ordered last year, but the agency messed that up so after waiting for two and a half hours we finally got our car...a small SUV that was such a tight fit it was hard to breathe.

We set out for Orbec, France to our hotel for the next two days. The rooms were about as small as the car. We found the only place to eat at a pizza shop. On the way over there we got the French chewing out of the year at the toll booth. A very nice French man came to our rescue and ended up chewing out the French guy yelling at us. It was an absolute hoot, couldn't stop laughing. That story carried through our entire trip.

**DAY TWO, JUNE 5** - Early rise at 7 a.m., the way to get the day started is with breakfast and strong coffee. We were off and on the way to Omaha Beach. Not too many people there yet, but the Scottish bag pipe player started to play "Amazing Grace" while standing in six inches of water, we found out that this was the beginning of the ceremony on Omaha Beach. That was very moving. We talked to a couple of the original servicemen that had landed on Omaha, and a lot of other people from France, Belgium, America all very interested in the

"D Day Experience." We saw many reenactors, from all parts of the war. Lady officers, nurses, soldiers of all branches and foreign service people. We went as the Band of Relatives and saw the reenactors from "The Band of Brothers." That was neat.

We then drove up to the National Cemetery at Omaha Beach. We walked all the way around this huge beautiful place. It was very reverent and everyone was being very respectful. The cemetery overlooks the Omaha Beach where they came ashore. This is June 5, and the place was crowded, can't imagine what June 6 was going to be like with all the dignitaries that were coming.

We understand now that it went very well. I got the privilege thanks to my press pass from the Staples World to step over the fence and ask if I could place a flag on one of the graves and they let me do it. It was a real honor to me to be able to do that.

We then traveled to Sanerville, France to watch the paratroopers jump from the C-47's. It started with a British 'Spitfire' buzzing the field many times as precursor to the jump. Four planes came over us five times and dropped paratroopers out the hatch. We hadn't eaten anything, so we started to walk to town and someone told us the best was yet to come, we turned around and went back up front at the fence. We waited three and a half hours for the finale which was well worth the wait. This is when Warren Johnson (Staples resident for many years) jumped from

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### Solemn ceremony on Omaha Beach

A bagpiper plays in the waves to start the ceremony at Omaha Beach on

the 7th anniversary of D-Day. (Photo by Lee Jenkins)



### Band of Relatives at Normandy

The group of Staples natives enjoying one of their stops while touring France as part of the 70 year D-Day

reenactment, from left, Tanner Greig, Lee Jenkins, Jim Greig, Todd Greig, Erik Carlson and John Carlson.

## Sprout food, art taking root at Sourcewell



### Mobile Market sets up

Jessie Bavelli and Sena Bergerud of Sprout show the breads, grains, fruits and vegetables for sale at the Sprout Mobile Market on June 25, at Sourcewell. The market plans to set up every other Tuesday, with the next one to come July 9, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at Sourcewell in Staples. Below, Bergerud loads CSA (community supported agriculture) boxes filled with locally grown produce for the program that allows veterans to come to Staples and trade in their empty box for a full one. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



### Mobile art program for everyone

Maria Ervasti shows how to paint a picture of a watermelon to artists attending the Sprout à la cARTe Initiative at Sourcewell on June 25. The July 9

program will feature a different artist with new projects for kids. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)



### Crafting art outdoors

Left photo, Audriana and Parker Voss paint artworks at the Sprout à la cARTe Initiative at Sourcewell on June

25. Right, Alexis Odden and Emily Beard concentrate on their artwork. (Staples World photo by Mark Anderson)

## Weather

### This Week's Forecast

|        | High | Low | Cond.     |
|--------|------|-----|-----------|
| July 3 | 82°  | 62° | M. Cloudy |
| July 4 | 78   | 61  | Rain      |
| July 5 | 73   | 55  | Cloudy    |
| July 6 | 73   | 57  | P. Cloudy |
| July 7 | 76   | 57  | Sunny     |
| July 8 | 78   | 59  | P. Cloudy |
| July 9 | 75   | 57  | P. Cloudy |

### Last Year, 2018

|        | High | Low | Cond.  |
|--------|------|-----|--------|
| July 3 | 75°  | 67° | Rain   |
| July 4 | 74   | 66  | Rain   |
| July 5 | 78   | 68  | Sunny  |
| July 6 | 73   | 64  | Sunny  |
| July 7 | 82   | 65  | Sunny  |
| July 8 | 89   | 72  | Sunny  |
| July 9 | 77   | 66  | Cloudy |

**Average Temp.:**  
**H = 80° Low = 61°**

**Total Rain**  
**(Last 7 days,**  
**June 21-28): 1.40"**  
**2019: 11.50"**

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## Public Notices

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## Obituaries

Howard Ackerson  
Michelle Koskiniemi  
Wilfred Line  
Beverly Shinabarger



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# Puentes dies in motorcycle crash

Marco Puentes, 47, of Staples, was killed in a motorcycle/SUV accident on June 28.

According to the Minnesota State Patrol, Puentes was driving his motorcycle westbound on Highway 10. An SUV driven by Judith Bjerga, 73, of Motley, was crossing the highway at

12th Street NE, heading northbound.

The motorcycle collided with the SUV and the SUV spun 180 degrees while the motorcycle came to a rest in the right lane west of the intersection.

Puentes was transported to Hennepin County Medical Center, and was

pronounced deceased. Bjerga was treated at Lakewood Health System for non-life threatening injuries. Staples Police and Staples Fire Department responded to the accident.

The state patrol stated Puentes was not wearing a helmet, and alcohol was not a factor in the accident.

# Tri-County moves past fairgrounds possibility

Tri-County Health Care has been considering the Wadena County Fairgrounds as a potential site for its new facility, but a cost analysis on what it would take to move the current fair has caused Tri-County to move in another direction. The cost to relocate the fair, including moving the race track, relocating or rebuilding

current buildings, adding a parking lot and more, totaled \$13.1 million. This price is well beyond what was anticipated or budgeted.

Instead, Tri-County has turned its focus to a property of more than 70 acres on Highway 10 west of Wadena owned by Kelly and Julie Taggart. Tri-County already has a purchase order agreement on the property, which offers more visibility than the fairgrounds and has a country atmosphere that would help in creating a place of healing. In addition, the cost came in at \$2 million, significantly less than the \$13.1 million project for the fairgrounds.

Tri-County also cannot move farther east, as that would place it within 20 miles of Lakewood Health System in Staples. In the past, CMS (Medicare) has looked at 5-mile increments as it comes to Critical Access Hospital reimbursements and their distance from one another. Being within 20 miles of Lakewood could have financial consequences for both healthcare systems, which could jeopardize their future viability from a federal reimbursement perspective.

At this time, Tri-County Health Care will move forward in pursuing the Taggart property. The next step is the due diligence process, which will determine the viability of the property. Though it will prioritize the work on the Taggart property, Tri-County is keeping communication open with property owners and the county for the possibility of a Plan B option.

“I want to say thank you to Wadena County, the Fair Board, and the city of Wadena for their partnership and collaboration in researching a location for our new facility,” said Joel Beiswenger, Tri-County president and CEO. “We regret not being able to remain in Wadena County, but we are excited by the opportunities presented by the Taggart property and look forward to moving one step closer to bringing the rural healthcare center of the future to the communities we serve in Wadena, Todd and Otter Tail counties.”

Before zeroing in on the Taggart property, Tri-County considered other options within Wadena County. It researched the option of co-locating with the fair, but this presents another cost concern as well as potential noise interference from the race track. Another possibility was the property south of Wadena on Highway 71 that formerly housed the drive-in movie theater. However, this property does not offer the visibility and location on Highway 10, which was a primary goal in Tri-County’s master planning.

## Looking back

**75 YEARS Ago - 1944**

- July 6, 1944 - Lt. Walter Dahl, son of Mrs. Maude Dahl of Staples, returned here two weeks ago, to spend a 21-day leave from his duties with the United States army air forces, the last 13 months of which have been with the African and Mediterranean war theatres.
- July 6, 1944 - Caroline Hanson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hanson of Leader, was seriously injured Sunday afternoon of last week while playing baseball with a number of neighbor children at her home. One of the boys was at bat, and when he swung his bat, it slipped out of his hand, flew several feet and struck Caroline in the forehead with such force that the bat was broken.

Caroline was rushed to the Staples Municipal hospital and a complete examination was given. Several stitches were taken in her forehead, and she was taken home that evening. She is getting along as well as can be expected at the present time.

the board is six members.

- July 7, 1994 - With a crash that was heard blocks away, Motley’s old water tower came tumbling down last Thursday, removing a 32-year-old landmark in Motley. The old water tower had not been used since a new water system and new tower was put in use in late March of this year.

The old system, including a large well, water mains and a 50,000 gallon tower, was built in 1962, at a cost of about \$125,000. The new system, completed last March, has a 135 foot high, 400,000 gallon capacity water tower. Included in the new system were additional water mains, two new wells, and a new filtering system. The water filter plant will add fluoride and chlorine and remove iron and manganese. The entire new system cost about \$1,743,000, almost 14 times what the old one cost.



## Mystery photo

Hello readers. This week’s archive photo is from our June 30, 1994 edition. Do you know who these people are and perhaps the context of the photo? Email your answers to dtimbs@staplesworld.com by Monday morning. The answers will be published in next week’s paper, as well as a new mystery photo.

**10 YEARS Ago - 2009**

- July 2, 2009 - German war bride Gertrude (Wild) Schultenover of Staples shared her story of how 60-some years ago she arrived in the U.S. to be reunited with and married to an American ex-soldier whom she had met and fallen madly in love with in Germany during WWII. Harold ‘Bud’ Schultenover was a sergeant in the U.S.

Army. Now 86, Gertrude said she has never regretted leaving her homeland and starting life anew with Bud.

She shared that “every Fourth of July I say a prayer that the principles of the U.S. will stay the same as it was when I first came to this great country.”

- July 2, 2009 - The Motley Lions recently installed new officers. They included Ray Lucas,

president; Nancy Lucas, secretary; Anita Sutton, third vice president; Betty Farber, membership; Don Delude, first vice president; Marvin Swecker, second vice president; Harry Meyer, past president; Glen Sutton, board member; Dennis Lucas lion tamer; Mary Vergin, board member; Denise Anderson, treasurer.

**50 YEARS Ago - 1969**

- July 3, 1969 - Building construction in the Staples area is progressing very well this summer according to all reports. One of the major projects underway is the new addition to the Staples Area Vocational-Technical School. When completed, the building will add an additional 26,000 square feet of space to the existing buildings of the school.

Also well under construction is the new home of the Lakewood Clinic and will house the offices of four medical doctors, Dr. T. J. Lelwica, Dr. William I. Mennis, Dr. Jack Muus and Mr. James Thompson, and one dentist, Dr. John Gorton. When completed, the new clinic will have 29 rooms, plus waiting areas. There will be 14 examining rooms, 3 operatories, six offices, two waiting rooms, X-ray room, lounge, laboratory and business office area.

Local officials reported that many new homes are also being constructed in the Staples area, both inside and outside of the city limits, making this a big year for construction and good evidence that Staples is a progressive city.

- July 3, 1969 - Under the sponsorship of the Staples Chamber of Commerce and the Staples Jaycees, the annual Fun Day at Dower Lake will be held Friday, July 4.

Officers of the two organizations report that events slated to be held throughout the afternoon and evening include games, races, a softball game, open swimming, a free turkey barbecue, band concert and fireworks display.



## And the answer from last week is...

Last week’s mystery photo published in the June 30, 1983 edition of the Staples World featured new Eagle Scouts, from left, Jason Norring, Sean Anderson, Mark Morey and Todd Greig. The four, who were preparing for the upcoming Eagle Scout Court of Honor, were the first Scouts from Motley to achieve the highest level of scouting.

*We received several responses about this photo, with people sharing memories in addition to the names of the boys.*

*Erika (Smith) Kennedy of Staples mentioned that they were her classmates at Motley High School, all from the Class of 1987.*

*Brenda Anderson Johnson of Baxter said, “This was quite an honor for the Motley community; no one could remember ever having four boys attain Eagle Scout in Motley before. Although my husband was the Scout Master (Keith Anderson) he always acknowledged that this honor belonged to all the boys’ parents who were totally involved in the scouting experience.”*

*Loren and Kathy Morey of Motley, parents of Mark Morey, said they remembered this event immediately*

*upon seeing the photo in the paper. Parents of the other boys included Keith and Brenda Anderson, Lee and Janet Greig, Judy Norring and Skip Lisle and Norman Norring. Loren Morey said he’d spoken with a few of the other parents who remembered this day as well.*

*Joe Mrazek Jr. noted that these four started a legacy where, from the years 1983 - 1987, Motley’s Troop 62 had a total of 10 scouts earn the Eagle Scout award, including himself. “These were unprecedented numbers for a troop our size and our success was in large part to our Scout Masters, Keith Anderson, Scott Markus, Mike Avery and Mike Vasecka,” Mrazek, Jr. said.*

*Tom Crawford, former editor of the Staples World, said he remembered taking this photo by the old United Methodist Church in Motley. He also recalled that a few days later, on July 2, he and his wife, Patty, were married.*

*Others who responded included Pat Held, Vicki Paskewitz and Phil Bjerga.*

*Thanks for participating in our Mystery Photo.*



## Music donation

The Staples Host Lions Club donated \$3,000 to the Staples Motley Area Arts Council (SMAAC) to fund the Music in the Park Series in Staples. Pictured, from left, are Bob Schaffer, Staples Host Lions VP; and Paula Johnson, SMAAC President. The six summer concerts are held on Sunday evenings in Northern Pacific Park July 7 - Aug. 11.

## Staples council agenda

The Staples City Council will meet Tuesday, July 9, at 7 p.m. at Staples City Hall.

Items on the agenda include:

- Consider setting public hearing on July 23rd for the 2020-2024 Capital Improvement Plan
- Consider budget amendment
- Committee Report: Staples Economic Development Authority

## WELCOMING HOME TO STAPLES...



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**25 YEARS Ago - 1994**


- July 7, 1994 - The new board of Staples Motley Independent School District #2170 met for the first time in their organizational meeting Tuesday evening in Staples.

Hardly any item passed without discussion, but most of the questions were requests for information. The boards of the former Motley and Staples school districts learned how the other did business as they decided together on courses of action for the new district.

The consolidation agreement of the two districts calls for a 12-member board for the first two years, then the elimination of two seats each year until



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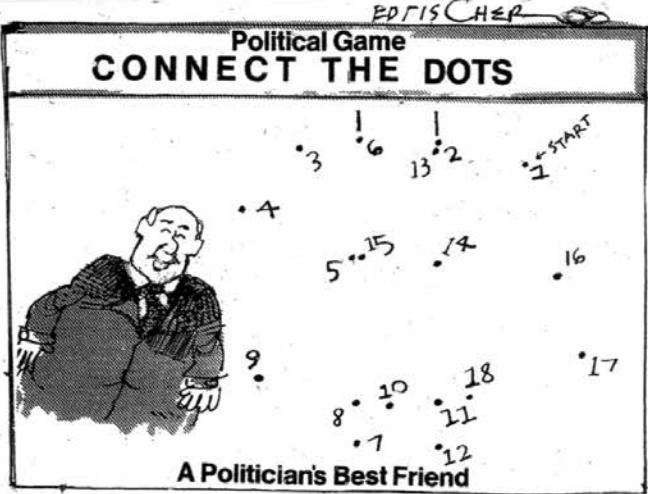
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# Media portrayals of rural America

By Heather Chapman  
The Rural Blog

At the recent Life in Rural America Symposium, journalists Ken Ward Jr. and Sarah Smarsh spoke about the relationship between “good journalism, community health, and our collective future,” Tim Marema reports for The Daily Yonder. Ward is an award-winning Charleston Gazette-Mail reporter known for covering West Virginia’s coal industry, and the recipient of a MacArthur Foundation “genius grant.” Smarsh is up for a National Book Award for her memoir Heartland, which shows readers how her rural Kansas family went from working class to the working poor.

The Yonder provides a transcript of their conversation, edited for length and clarity. Some highlights:

Smarsh said there’s a “great dissonance” between what urban residents and the news media think is happening in rural areas and what is actually happening in rural areas. “If you’re a cable news network, and you like conflict, and you want to whip up the idea of cities versus country (which drives up ratings and enforces some sort of unfortunate cultural identities), then you put up a map of the United States where each state is colored either red or blue, as though that monochromatic color would represent everyone in that state,” Smarsh said. The reality is not so simple or monolithic.

Ward observed that it might not be appropriate to talk about “one rural America, and to assume that farmland in Kansas and the people who live there have all the same ways of doing things, and thinking, and talking as people in the coal fields of southern West Virginia, or steel country in western Pennsylvania and Ohio.”

Smarsh agreed, saying “Of course, there’s not just one rural America.” She said that those who “set the narrative” often offer a reductive view of rural America, whether through malice or ignorance. But rural America is more diverse, politically and demographically, than

is often reflected in the news media, she said. For instance, she said, about 100 rural Kansans showed up at a recent county health event and “every single person in there” supported expanding Medicaid. The bottom line, she said, was to be humble and not make assumptions about people or areas you’re unfamiliar with.

Many people have no idea how deep economic equality is in the U.S., and part of the reason is that many rural people are ashamed to talk about poverty or poor health, Smarsh said.

Ward asked how people can find information to better understand what’s happening in rural America. Smarsh said paying attention to local news was a good start, but noted that rural local reporting has been weakened in recent years, and many rural people only have access to national news: “We have half the country watching Fox News and half the country watching MSNBC. While I’m all for increasing efforts on the local level, there is something that is so toxic in that top-level system being broken from the rest of the information sphere that that’s, I think, a bigger problem to contend with.”

Smarsh said the simplistic, frequently negative narrative about rural America hurts rural communities and people. “If every story being told about you is that you’re backwards, ignorant, your community is dying, why don’t you just leave, and meanwhile, you’re doing the work of picking the lettuce in California or raising the wheat in Kansas that’s on the plate of the people who are carelessly levying those condescending comments, that is a bitter pill to swallow spiritually and psychologically,” she said. “That has reverberations in the way of wellness and health, whether it’s that shame or a sense of not being validated somehow. It’s related to a general malaise and a need to self-medicate. The stories that we tell about ourselves and about specific populations within our country, they affect the wellness of those communities.”

# Blandin introduces GroundWork: tools to grow vibrant rural communities

By Kathy Annette  
Blandin Foundation  
President & CEO

Nothing truly worthwhile is ever easy. This is especially true if you’re a rural community leader. Community issues are complex. Sometimes it’s hard to see the “whole” or

what it all adds up to. Great leaders know that change starts small and builds from the ground up. It takes local leaders digging in, planting seeds of hope and cultivating a shared vision that the community stands behind. Real change starts with groundwork. That’s why we’re launch-

ing the GroundWork blog (blandinfoundation.org/blog/), a collection of stories, perspectives and tools to help leaders, like you, design and claim your community’s future.

I invite you to use the tools offered in GroundWork to explore new possibilities, test existing thinking and rejuvenate

your community work.

We see your passion and commitment. We see your hard work. And we proudly stand with you as you reach across boundaries and build lasting connections to strengthen the places we call home.

You are the leaders we’ve been waiting for!

## Samples from Blandin’s GroundWork

### The Pulse captures the complexity of Minnesota

By Jennifer Bevis

Minnesota is often simplistically framed as “the metro” and “Greater Minnesota” — two distinct, sometimes divided, districts.

Dig deeper, though, and that picture becomes a mosaic. People and places, environments and economies are intertwined. We are a rich tapestry, each component critical to completing the whole.

For a snapshot of that complexity — and a close-up of how rural fits into the picture — consider Rural Pulse.

The Rural Pulse survey — which you can always find at [www.ruralpulse.org](http://www.ruralpulse.org) — has tracked rural residents’ perspectives since 1998. The most recent edition, commissioned in 2019 by Blandin Foundation and conducted by Russell Herder, gauges Minnesotans’ perceptions of issues facing rural Minnesota communities. More than 2,660 rural and urban Minnesotans participated this time around.

Thanks to candid feedback, Rural Pulse offers a way to explore different perspectives, provides insights to fuel conversations, and raises up differences that may make a

difference.

### Rural Pulse 2019: More urban Minnesotans consider rural, creating new opportunities for recruitment

By Alie McInerney

A good job and a balanced life. It’s something we all strive for. But are we more likely to achieve one or the other depending on where we live?

Yes — according to more than 1,600 Minnesota residents whose perceptions were captured in the Rural Pulse survey released last week.

The research shows a significant uptick (6%) in urban respondents who say they are considering a move to a rural community with quality of life being the standout reason.

Rural leaders — let this data be a shot of energy to your work. People want to move to your town! But know, there’s work ahead.

Women and low-earning rural residents, however, offer a more immediate opportunity. It’s jobs that are calling them to the big city. Yet, research shows there are more jobs available in rural Minnesota now than ever before.

With a rising number of urban Minnesotans looking to make the move to rural, some rural people

believing they have better job opportunities in urban, and a workforce shortage already impacting rural economies, economic developers are changing up their traditional strategies to focus on people, instead of jobs.

People recruitment is complex and multi-faceted, but good data can help you make smart choices on where to focus your community’s efforts.

### Strategies

Here are some tested strategies borrowed from other rural Minnesota communities to get you started.

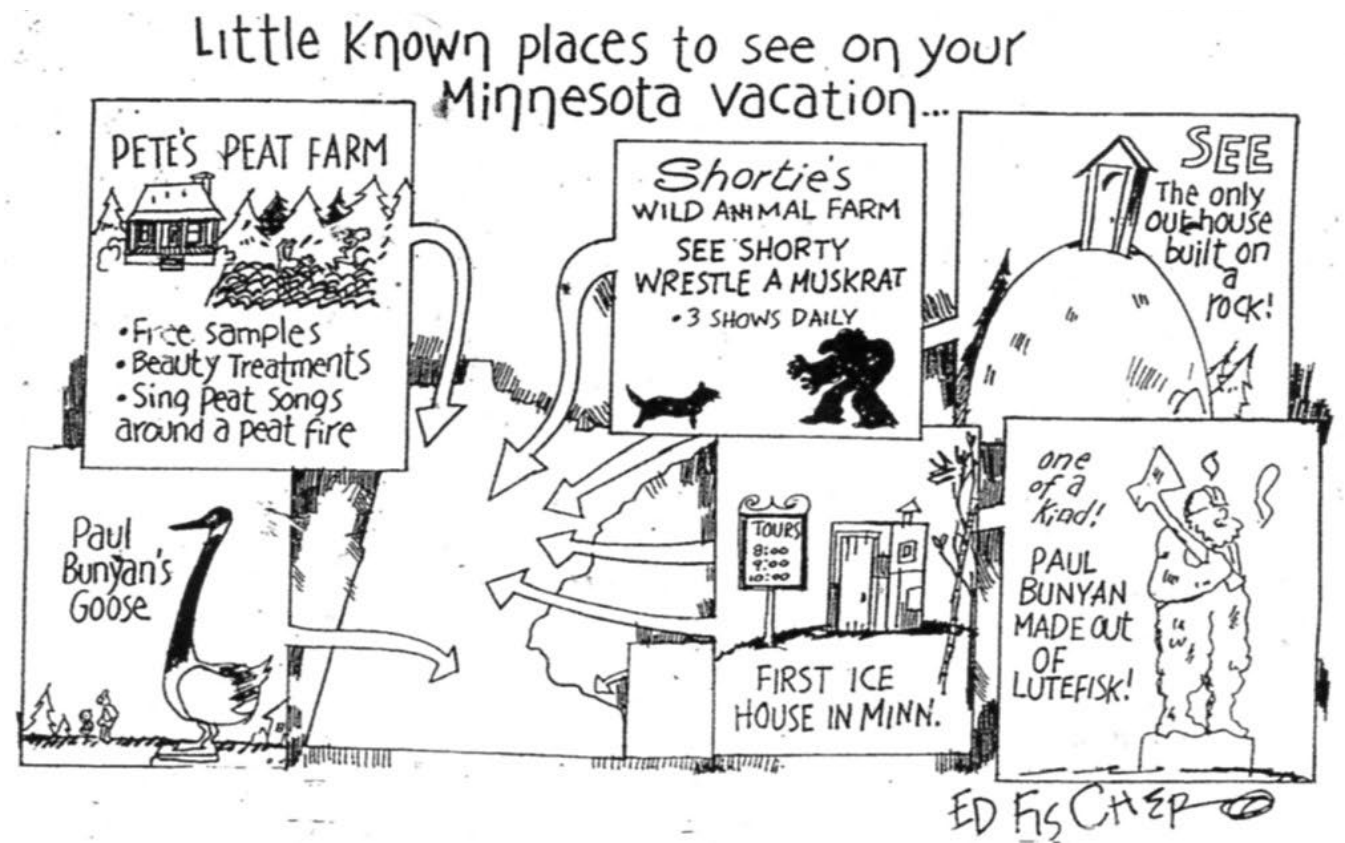
Plant the seed for your youth. Nurture and support youth in their pursuit of further education and new experiences. Equip them with the tools they need to succeed in new environments. Help them navigate the vast sea of opportunity to find their points of passion. Connect them with mentor in the community who can help guide their immediate choices, but also offer a first-person account of what it’s like to work at home. Help local youth see your community as a viable option rather than a life sentence.

Make job opportunities visible. Most rural communities do not have a single jobs hub to promote openings to current or poten-

tial residents. A job seeker might have to search newspaper print ads, Facebook posts, job aggregator sites and more to see all of what’s available. It’s important to not only have a single jobs hub, but to make sure your target recruits can access it.

At every touch point, be ready. The first point of contact for a potential new resident could happen anywhere. It might be at a gas station when someone is just passing through. A grocery store, bait shop or hotel. It could happen right after a job interview or in the middle of a vacation. Communities who excel at people recruitment are ready to “sell” their community at any of these touch points and more. This means in addition to formal front line service training, you should be communicating clearly and consistently about the community narrative you want residents sharing.

Get newcomers connected. Fast. If you’ve done your work and a recruit moves to town, begin retention efforts immediately! Work with existing networks in your community to plug newcomers into the fabric of the community. They will be much more likely to stay and contribute to the health of your community if they’ve built up connections and relationships.



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## Casualties of a free press

On June 28, in Annapolis, Md., a small rose garden was dedicated in a park by the water in memory of the five Capital Gazette newspaper employees shot and killed one year ago. (Photo from The Herald-Mail, Hagerstown, Md.)





## Blood drive in Motley

An upcoming blood donation opportunity, sponsored by the America Red Cross, will be held Wednesday, July 24, 12 - 6 p.m., at the Motley United Methodist Church. The church is located at 847 3rd Ave. S.

Walk-ins welcome.

For more information or to make an appointment online visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org); or call 1-800-733-2767.

## Mark Your Calendar

### July 5

**FREE OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT** Fri., July 5, 9 p.m., Converse Park, Motley. Hosted by Motley United Methodist Church.

### July 9

**SQUARE DANCING, MAINSTREAM WORKSHOP WITH PHIL MILLER** Tues., July 9, Staples Community Center, 425 4th St. NE. To help recently graduated dancers build confidence; and new twists for 'angels'.

### July 10

**COMMUNITY MEAL** Wed., June 12, 5:30 - 7:30 p.m., Converse Park in Motley. Free. Hosted by Motley

Free Methodist Church. Picnic supper, games. For info., 218-352-6888.

### July 16, 17

**IMMUNIZATION CLINIC, WALK-IN** sponsored by Cass County Public Health, Tues., July 16, 10 a.m. - noon and 1 - 2:30 p.m., Pillager Family Resource Center. For info., 218-547-1340, ext. 209.

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## The Sawtooth Brothers to open 'Music in the Park' series in Staples



### Modern bluegrass band

The Sawtooth Brothers bluegrass band will perform at Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 7, at 7 p.m. Pictured, from left, are Luke Birtz-

er, Jesse Moravec, Clint Birtzer, Ethan Moravac. The series is made possible with a gift from the Staples Host Lions Club. (Submitted photo)

Minnesota Bluegrass band Sawtooth Brothers will kick off the Music in the Park Series in Staples on Sunday, July 7, at 7 p.m. This is the first concert in the series which will run for six Sundays.

For the past 13 years, the Sawtooth Brothers have been dazzling audiences with their precision picking and sharp harmonies. Having grown up together, the band members have created a strong musical rapport with one another, channelled through their

infectious original material. Their sound is rooted in traditional bluegrass instrumental and harmony work and is influenced by modern acoustic sounds. Audience members can expect to hear creative original songs, hard driving bluegrass, classic country, gospel and classic rock. Tying it all together is the band's ability to put on a good show.

According to Lillian Speakman, with The Local Current Blog, "Sawtooth Brothers are a band that

will redefine your understanding of what bluegrass can be...the music they create is difficult to categorize: it transcends tradition. The songs are full of complex instrumental arrangements, meticulous harmonies and sophisticated lyrics."

The Sawtooth Brothers have gained a reputation as sincere and hard-working professionals. They have performed at a variety of venues across the country and into Canada, including music halls, bandshells,

caves and river boats.

Clint Birtzer, the band's guitarist, has been named the Minnesota Flatpicking Guitar Champion in 2009, 2011 and 2013, as well as the 2015 SPBGMA Midwest Guitar Performer of the Year. Fiddle player Luke Birtzer was the winner of the 2010 Bluegrass Idol Competition; and Clint Birtzer and fellow band member Jesse Moravec were winners of the 2011 Minnesota Duet Championship.

For more information about The Sawtooth Brothers, or to hear samples of their music, visit their website at [www.sawtooth-brothers.com](http://www.sawtooth-brothers.com).

The Music in the Park Concerts are held in the Northern Pacific (NP) Park on Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. and will run through August 11. For more information on the Music in the Park series as well as the regular concert series, check out [www.staplesmotleyarts.org](http://www.staplesmotleyarts.org).

Northern Pacific (NP) Park is located at 625 6th St. NE. Go north on 6th St. at the junction of Hwys 10 and 210 and go six blocks. In case of rain, the concerts will be moved to Faith Lutheran Church.

The Music in the Park Series is funded by the Staples Host Lions Club. The series is organized by the Staples Motley Area Arts Council, with the assistance of the Staples Motley Public Schools and the City of Staples.



### Pedal power

Five-year-old Luke Baker from Browerville cleared 31.3 feet during the June Fest Kiddie Pedal Pull contest last weekend. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

## Motley June Fest pedal pull results

The June Fest Pedal Pull had 56 contestants competing on June 22 in Motley. The top three finishers (ages 4 - 11) can go on to the state pull on Sept. 7 in Redwood Falls.

Following are the top three placers in each age group:  
Age 3: 1. Joe Lehner, Motley, 2'7"; 2. Aspen Kavanaugh, Pillager, 1'5" (age group not eligible for state)

Age 4: 1. Benjamin Decker, Motley, 2'4"; 2. Eldin Haehnel, Motley, 12'4"; 3. Evan Lehner, Motley, 8'1"

Age 5: 1. Brielle Schultz, Brainerd, 36"; 2. Emmy Geraets, Dell Rapids, S.D., 34'7"; 3. Derek Zimmerman, Motley, 33'3"

Age 6: 1. Porter Lehner, Motley, 23'7"; 2. Mavis Haehnel, Motley, 21"; 3. Jase Brown, Long Prairie, 18'6"

Age 7: 1. Jack Geraets, Dell Rapids, S.D., 24'3"; 2. Ben Stevens, Motley, 22'10"; 3. Brennen Sonenstahl, Staples, 15'10"

Age 8: 1. Jacob Kampa, Cushing, 26'6"; 2. Abigail Decker, Motley, 26"; 3. Henry Zimmerman, Motley, 25'7"

Age 9: 1. Russell Blomquist, Motley, 28'7"; 2. Lyric Kavanaugh, Pillager, 23"; 3. Olivia Brown, Long Prairie, 22'6"

Age 10: 1. Gavin Stevens, Motley, 29'5"; 2. Bristol Bruder, Long Prairie, 27'1"; 3. Brett Blomquist, Motley, 18'6"

Age 11: 1. Daniel Zimmerman, Motley, 30'9"; 2. Jerry Russell, Motley, 27'4"; 3. Koty Sampson, Motley, 19'4"

The event was held by CT Pedal Pulls, Bob and Marge. Pedal Pull helpers at the event were Melaine Swecker and her grandkids Emmy and Jack Geraets of Dell Rapids, S.D.

The 121st Annual Cass County Fair in Pillager, in conjunction with the 4th Annual Husky Days celebration in Pillager, will be held Thursday, July 11 - Sunday, July 14.

On the agenda are contests, square dancing, fireworks, animal judging, a Miss Pillager Pageant and a host of other activities for people of all ages, including a medallion hunt with a \$500 prize. Events will take place at both the fairgrounds and at the Pillager School. Some of the events are listed below:

#### Thursday

Entry day. Commercial vendors and competition exhibitors will be setting up. Clues for the medallion hunt will be posted each morning at 9 a.m. at the Community Center.

Food booths open at 10 a.m. Stop by the Community Center (at the fairgrounds) for Cash Bingo, from 6:30 - 9 p.m.

#### Friday

It's 'Judging Day' on Friday.

Stop by at 8 a.m. for breakfast (food booths will be open) and at 9 a.m., visit the horse judging arena and exhibit booths as well.

The Pillager History Display will run from 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Young people will enjoy a variety of free bouncy games from 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

The beer garden opens at 3 p.m., Ray's Prom-

oters Square Dance demo takes place at 4 p.m.; and a Pillager School History discussion starts at 6 p.m.

Starting at 9 p.m., enjoy music by Troy Spooner in the beer garden.

#### Saturday

Saturday is 'Family Fun Day' at the fair. A pancake breakfast, sponsored by the Pillager Boy Scouts, begins at 7 a.m. and horse judging starts at 8 a.m.

At 10 a.m., set up a lawn chair downtown and watch the annual Pillager Parade, featuring music, antique cars and tractors; and a variety of other floats.

The Kiddie Tractor Pull begins at noon (registration opens at 11 a.m.), as does the judging of rabbits and chickens. From 11 a.m. - 10 p.m., enjoy the free bouncy games. An ice cream social for Pillager School alumni takes place in the Community Center at 3 p.m.

A variety of contests will take place at the Community Center throughout the day on Saturday. These include baby contests, 'Mom & Me Look Alike Contest', husband calling contest, best 'moer' contest, rubber chicken throw, hula hoop competition, pickle eating contest, Jell-O eating contest and more.

Other events on the day's roster include Texas Hold'em and a Cornhole Tournament.

At 7 p.m., back by popu-



### Fun on the slide

The bounce games will be back again this year at the Pillager Fair. Young people will enjoy the obstacle course, chaos, rock wall slide, wacky ball, sports challenge and more. Open Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m. (Staples World archive photos)

lar demand, is the Mud Run. Stick around for fireworks at 10 p.m.

#### Sunday

The celebration continues on Sunday with a community church service at 11 a.m.

Stay for a broasted chicken dinner at noon, provided by Kim Gibbs of KC's Saloon. Tickets will be sold in advance and at the door. The fair closes at 3 p.m.

For a more detailed list of events, pick up a Pillager Fair Premium Book at area businesses and at the fairgrounds.



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## Summer recreation baseball in Staples

Summertime brings hundreds of children to the Staples-Motley Summer Recreation leagues, held at the school softball fields. Pictured, players in the various leagues learn to catch, throw, hit and run. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)

### T-Ball



### Pee Wee, Minor League



### Little League





Fast or slow, summer will slip on by

Our sense of time and what its passage means changes a lot as we grow up. As a youngster in the early grades I was sure that summers were endless. I knew better, if for no other reason than when the year ended and our anxiety about whether “we passed” was relieved, we looked ahead and speculated on which of the Sisters of St. Joseph we would have the next fall. Like students, teachers had reputations, so sometimes the anxiety of whether we’d been passed to the next grade was replaced by anxiety over whether Sister So-and-so was really as tough as everyone said she was.

Still, like a typical child I considered a wait of more than a few days for anything to be “forever,” so a three-month long summer had to be longer than that, despite all evidence to the contrary. Later, as adults, when our lives overflow with duties and obligations, just the opposite seems true. Days and weeks go by in a blur, and time is a commodity there is never enough of. Some of us were warned of this as children, but we never quite believed it.

This being the week when we celebrate our nation’s declaration of independence, or 4th of July as we have foreshortened it, I’m reminded of how one person I know marked the passage of summer as only a time-challenged adult would. My

spouse taught in a public school for more than three decades. Like most teachers, she had summers with no teaching duties. People who don’t teach are sometimes tempted in their ill-concealed jealousy to say “summers to do with as they please.” But I know better, having had two children, a home that was always ship-shape, and fast food dinners almost never.

But when the 4th of July came and went, it was her judgment that “Summer is almost over!” This is classic glass-half-empty pessimism, rather than glass-half-full optimism. The truth was, from July 4th to Labor Day—the start of the next school year—was more than half of her three-month summer. About all you can say is that she saw time’s passage as an uber-adult.

Some, like my wife, measure time in days and weeks. For others, time is measured by Nature’s rhythms, or by faultlessly reliable celestial phenomena. This time of year I’m also reminded of a retired co-worker who was my associate for more than 20 years. When you know someone that well, you may be aware of things that will “jerk their chain,” and in friendly jabbing I sometimes did.

At the time of the summer solstice—the first and longest day of summer, usually June 21st or 22nd—I would remind her that from that day forward every day would be shorter than the one before, until we arrived at the shortest day of the year on December 21st. She lives for gardening, and has a keen dislike for driving on wintry Minnesota roads, so this reminder was sure to draw a good-natured but feisty response. Her rational self knew that the

“sweet spot” of summer still lay ahead. But being reminded that summer is fleeting was not what she wanted to hear.

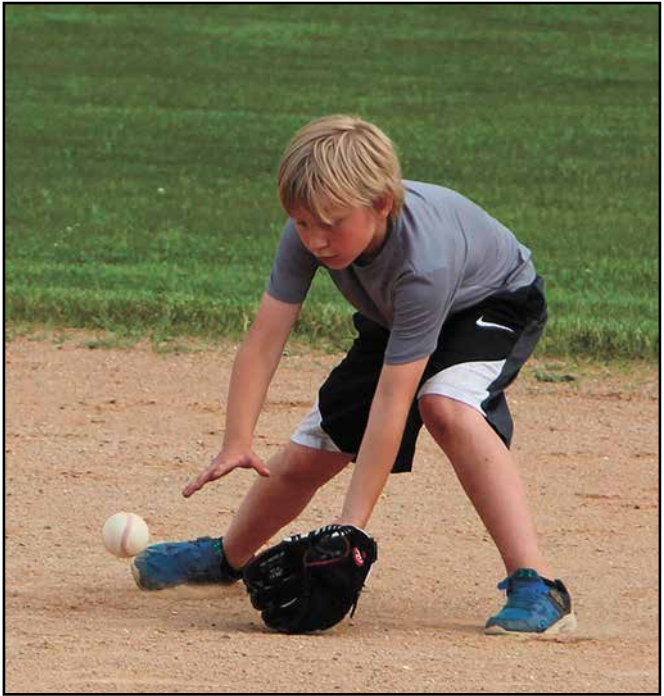
Not everyone wants summer to be endless. Summer has its many virtues, with family vacations, summer outdoor sports, harvests from farmers markets, and more time with our school-age children. But some might consider giving the season a nudge to get it to move along a little faster. They’d just as soon get past the mid-summer fishing doldrums and dog days and on to better fall fishing. Just as soon get to the “pre-season special” fall hunting catalogs that still come in the mail, and look ahead to that biggest of all Minnesota hunting and shooting extravaganzas, Game Fair in August.

But that would be to wish precious time away. Better to take every day as it comes. Try to solve a difficult dog day fishing puzzle with a technique that’s outside your comfort zone or angling style. Try something you’ve never seen an expert recommend.

It might work just once, or it might be revolutionary. Try an altogether different style of fishing, whether for a different species, or with tackle you’ve never mastered.

Indulge your impatience to be afield with a firearm by making time to go to a target range and boost your marksmanship breaking some clay pigeons, or punching holes in paper rifle targets. Talk to a forester or state park ranger and ask where you might prospect for wild blueberries—commonly in areas that have experienced a burn in recent years—when they typically ripen in late July. Pick up the Friday Minneapolis Star-Tribune every week and scan the events calendar in the Outdoors section for new outdoor ideas.

Summer can seem fast or slow, something that depends a lot on who—and how busy—you are. But one piece of advice holds true for all; get the most out of it while you can, for it will literally soon be gone.



Inside the Outdoors



Mike Rahn

Staples Area Church Directory

Staples

**Staples Alliance**  
1512 8th St. NE, Staples ..... 218-894-2891  
Pastor Bob Hepokoski  
Mark Shea, Pastor of Student Ministries  
Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 11:00 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
AWANA ..... 6:15 p.m.

**Assembly of God**  
914 3rd Ave. NE, Staples ..... 218-894-1081  
Pastor Roy Miles  
Discipleship Class..... 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Prayer ..... 6:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Wednesday times are for Sept. - May  
Nightlight (Kids Program).... 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.  
Youth Group..... 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

**Church of Christ**  
27343 490th St., Staples..... 218-894-2609  
Pastor Barry Klein  
Website: www.stapleschurchofchrist.org  
Bible School (youth and adult).... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY:  
Teen Youth/Adults Bible Study .... 6:30 p.m.

**First Congregational Church, UCC**  
firstcongregationalstaples@gmail.com  
204 5th St. NE, Staples ..... 218-894-2571  
Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
Fellowship, refreshments following service

**Faith Lutheran**  
430 12th Street, NE, Staples..... 218-894-1546  
Pastor: Carl Larson  
Sunday Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School and  
Coffee Fellowship..... 10:05 a.m.

**Sacred Heart Church**  
310 4th St. NE, Staples ..... 218-894-2296  
Church.....  
Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz  
Youth and Young Adult Ministry  
Coordinator:  
Monica J. Simmons..... 218-414-0081 cell/text  
MASS:  
Thursday and Friday..... 8:30 a.m..  
Saturday ..... 5:00 p.m..  
Sunday ..... 8:30 a.m.

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
421 Dakota Ave. SE, Staples  
218-894-0033  
Saturday Worship ..... 10:45 am  
Sabbath School ..... 9:30 a.m.

**Thomastown Covenant**  
15940 251st Ave., Staples..... 218-894-3923  
Sunday School ..... 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY ..... 7:00 p.m.

**Trinity Lutheran**  
1000 4th St., NE, Staples..... 218-894-2372  
Rev. Robin Collins  
Sunday Divine Service..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School & Bible Class..... 10:30 a.m.

**United Methodist**  
310 5th St. NE, Staples..... 218-894-2248  
Pastor Greg Leslie  
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
(Nursery Available for Sunday Worship)  
Sunday School (for grades K-12 and adults)  
..... 9:15-10:15 a.m.

**Aldrich**  
**Balsamlund Lutheran**  
19550 490th Street, Aldrich  
Eric Clapp..... 701-261-2394 (cell)  
Sunday Worship..... 8:15 a.m.  
Sunday School..... 8:30 a.m.

**Cushing**  
**Bethany Lutheran**  
25430 Bison Rd. Cushing, MN  
320-749-2140  
Pastor Carl Larson  
www.bethanylutherancushing.org  
Sunday Worship..... 10:45 a.m.  
Sunday School and  
Coffee Fellowship..... 9:30 a.m.  
Pancake Breakfast..... 11:45 a.m.  
2nd Sunday, each month

**Lincoln Evangelical Free**  
1354 320th St., Cushing..... 218-575-2449  
www.lincolnefree.org Facebook Lincoln E Free  
Office Hours: Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Senior Pastor: Donald Reigstad  
Pastor: Jim Brown  
Youth Coordinator: Kelly Gelle  
SUNDAY  
Sunday School for all ages ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Worship Gathering ..... 10:00 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Praise & Prayer ..... 4:30 p.m.  
Kids' Club ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Jr./Sr. Forge Youth Group ..... 6:00 p.m.

**Cushing Baptist**  
26298 Bear Rd., Cushing  
Pastor Dan Holmes..... 320-749-2583  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Bible study..... 7:30 p.m.

**Leader**  
**Swan Valley Lutheran**  
Leader..... 218-397-2470  
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister  
of Word and Sacrament  
Sunday Worship..... 11:00 a.m.  
**Maple Hill Lutheran**  
Sandy Knight, Synodically Authorized Minister  
of Word and Sacrament  
Leader ..... 218-397-2470 (Rural Pine River)  
Worship and Sunday School ..... 9:00 a.m.

**Leaf River Township**  
**The Old Country Church**  
Leaf River Twp., Wadena County Rd. 6  
Info. 218-837-5690 .. Open by arrangement

**Motley**  
**Motley Free Methodist**  
33 Wellwood St. E  
Motley 56466 ..... 218-352-6888  
Pastor Jim Johnson  
Sunday Worship..... 9:00 & 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Kids Club..... 4:00-5:30 p.m.  
Youth Group ..... 5:30-7:30 p.m.

**St. John's Lutheran**  
497 3rd Ave. S, Motley ..... 218-352-6399  
Pastor Vicar Paul Koehler  
Sunday School and Bible Class .... 8:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.

**St. Michael**  
1st St. and Birch, Motley ..... 218-894-2296  
Pastor Fr. Gabriel Walz  
MASS:  
Tuesday ..... 6:30 p.m.,  
Wednesday ..... 8:30 a.m..  
Saturday ..... 7:00 p.m..  
Sunday ..... 10:30 a.m.

**United Methodist**  
847 3rd Ave. S. Lane, Motley..... 218-352-6466  
Pastor Greg Leslie  
www.motleyumc.net  
Sunday Worship Service..... 9:00 a.m.  
Monday AA meeting..... 8:00 p.m.

**Oylen**  
**Oylen Alliance**  
Cty. Rds. 7 and 9, Oylen  
218-472-3440 or 218-472-3316  
Pastor Neal Malcore  
Sunday School ..... 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship..... 11:00 a.m.

**Pillager**  
**First Lutheran Church**  
Pastor Mathew Sundquist  
717 River Street S, Pillager, MN  
218-746-3775  
Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 8:30 a.m.

**Casino Assembly of God**  
Pastor Dan Johnson  
N. of Motley, Hwy. 64, E. on Cty 34 to Cty. 104.  
Phone ..... 218-746-3839  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship..... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Worship..... 7:00 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY ..... 7:00 p.m.

**First Baptist**  
903 River Street South, Pillager  
Pastor Jake Anderson  
218-746-3768  
curious@fbcpillager.com  
Worship Gathering..... 10:00 a.m.  
Connection Point..... 9:30 a.m.  
(serving coffee and donuts)

**Hewitt**  
**Church of the Nazarene**  
114 Front Street, P.O. Box 146 Hewitt, MN  
218-924-2028  
Pastor Wayne Haffert  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m  
Sunday Worship..... 10:45 a.m./6 p.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Prayer ..... 7:00 p.m.

**Trinity Lutheran Church (LCMS)**  
524 Front Street, PO Box 116, Hewitt, MN  
Pastor Robin Fish  
Sunday Worship..... 10:30 a.m.

**United Methodist Church**  
Hwy. 210, Hewitt, MN  
Pastor Kenneth Uhren  
Sunday Services ..... 10:30 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.

**Verndale**  
**Verndale Alliance**  
109 NW Brown Street, Verndale, MN 56481  
218-445-5619  
Senior Pastor Tony Stanley  
Heath Belknap, Pastor of Student Ministries  
Sunday Worship..... 9:30 a.m.  
Sunday Bible Fellowship Classes  
..... 11-11:45 a.m.

**Family Life Church**  
402 NE Clark Drive, Verndale 218-445-5568  
VerndaleFLC@gmail.com  
Pastor Amos Self ..... 218-371-7189  
Childrens' Pastor Kenneth Kjeldergaard  
SUNDAY  
Discipleship Classes..... 9:00 a.m.  
Prayer ..... 9:20 a.m.  
Coffee / Fellowship ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Worship Service ..... 10:00 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
6:00 p.m....Meal ..... 6:30 p.m ...Groups

**Hope Chapel Alliance**  
18126 County Road 7, Verndale  
218-445-5643 or 218-472-3316  
Pastor Neal Malcore  
Sunday Worship..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Family Night ..... 5:30 p.m.

**Immanuel Lutheran Church of Bartlett Township (LCMS)**  
17097 460th St. PO Box 37, Verndale  
Pastor Robin Fish  
Sunday Worship..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 9:30 a.m.  
WEDNESDAY  
Bible Study..... 6:30 p.m.

**Verndale United Methodist**  
10 3rd Ave. SW, Verndale  
218-445-5108  
Pastor Jill Pawlowski  
Sunday Worship..... 9:00 a.m.

**Central United Methodist**  
5 miles N on Cty Rd 26 (Nimrod tar)  
Pastor Chuck Horsager, 218-639-4225  
Sunday Worship ..... 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ..... 10:30 a.m.

"Kristal's Care"

Donald Reigstad, Pastor, Lincoln Free Evangelical Church

Kristal can't dress herself; she can't fix a meal. She needs help every morning before going to work and every evening when she comes home from work. She's dependent, for those simple things, on a couple of young gals who come morning and evening to assist her. She must quite literally cast her care upon others. It sounds humbling doesn't it? Did I mention that Kristal is a lawyer, lives on her own and can drive herself to her legal office each morning? It's still humbling.

We all like humility – in others. But face it. We each have a lot to be humble about and from time to time the reasons we have to be

humble get overwhelming. It takes humility to cast your cares on someone else. The truth is that none of us are “on top” all the time. You don't have to be. God doesn't want you to be overwhelmed with care. When life's load is overwhelming, even when it's not, humble yourself to talk to someone. Let that one help you to cast your anxieties on God. He truly cares for you.

*Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. -1 Peter 5:6, 7*

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## Hello World

**BIRTHS REPORTED AT LAKEWOOD HEALTH SYSTEM HOSPITAL IN STAPLES INCLUDED:**

Born to Aryn and Brandon Hedlund of Baxter, a baby boy, Oliver Paul weighing six pounds, 13 ounces on June 21, 2019.

Born to Megan and Nathan Beard of Staples, a baby boy, Landon Christopher weighing seven pounds, seven ounces on June 21, 2019.

Born to Riley and Tyler Hodgden of Menahga, a baby girl, Arianna Marie weighing six pounds, 13 ounces on June 23, 2019.

Born to Amy Morrow and Andrew Schmitz of Wadena, a baby girl, Ava Rose weighing six pounds, 13 ounces on June 25, 2019.

## Obituaries



### Michelle Koskiniemi

Michelle Ann Koskiniemi, age 52, passed away June 20, 2019 at her home in Osage.

A memorial service was held June 30 at the Jones Pearson Funeral Home, Park Rapids, with Rev. Loren Ferch officiating.

Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Motley.

Michelle was born October 21, 1966 to Michael and Patricia (Stewart) Carlson in Minneapolis. She attended public school in Minneapolis and Staples. Michelle also attended the Minnesota School of Business in Minneapolis.

She married and moved to Seattle, WA, living there 11 years. She worked as a wife, mother and did some day care. She was also employed as a legal secretary part time. Michelle returned to Minnesota with her children to live in Park Rapids. She worked as a manager at Orton's and at RDO in shipping.

She met Steve Koskiniemi in 2010. He became her best friend, true love, supporter, as well as her husband. Michelle enjoyed flowers, the outdoors, wildlife, music and spoiling her dogs. Michelle loved her family and will be dearly missed.

She is survived by her husband, Steve; two daughters, Anna Pierce and Bethany (Andrew) Longtine; two sons, Michael Rough and Patrick Rough; seven grandchildren, Amelia, Austin, Alijah, Aden; Isabel, Juliet and Kathryn; three step-daughters, Molly, Ashley and Jennifer; mother and step-dad, Patricia (Larry) Sandburg.

She was preceded in death by her father; sister and brother-in-law, Shari and Miroslav Stojanovic and her grandparents.

Arrangements were by Jones-Pearson Funeral Home, Park Rapids.

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### Wilfred Line

Wilfred Line, 94-year-old resident of Long Prairie, passed away at CentraCare Health System in Long Prairie.

A private burial will be held at a later date at Evergreen Hill Cemetery in Staples.

Arrangements are with the Iten Funeral Home in Browerville.

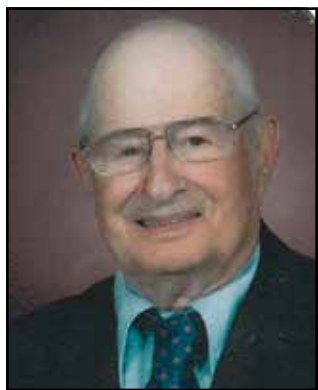
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### Beverly Shinabarger

Beverly Shinabarger, 88, passed away January 9, 2019.

A memorial service will be held Sat., July 13 at 2 p.m. at the Jehovah's Witness Kingdom Hall, 625 3rd St. NW, Wadena.

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### Howard Ackerson

Howard "Mike" Ackerson, 99, peacefully passed away surrounded by his family at his home in Glencoe.

Services were held June 28, 2019 at First Baptist Church in Pillager.

Interment was held at Wildwood Cemetery in Pillager.

Mike was born October 4, 1919 in Brainerd, to Charles and Nellie (Everist) Ackerson. He served in the U.S. Army from 1941-1945. Mike was united in marriage to Doris Newkirk April 24, 1954 at the First Baptist Church in Pillager. He worked as a dock man at Yellow Freight for 28+ years. Mike also enjoyed woodworking and gardening.

Mike is survived by his wife, Doris of 65 years; three sons, Leo (Teresa), Lester, Larry (Sue) and Lynn; eight grandchildren; and 13 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; one son, Lorn; four brothers; one sister and two step-brothers.

Arrangments were by Brenny Family Funeral Chapel, Staples.

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## Butterflies set free program at Staples Library

The Staples Public Library "BonVoyage Butterfly" program held June 26 was a huge success. Over 22 participants made butterfly crafts and cookies before setting the butterflies free during the release party. The Painted Lady caterpillars first spent their time at the Staples Library. The Staples Friends of the Library sponsored the program. Above: A large group regis-

tered for the program.

Below left: Grandpa Barry Klein of Staples with Evan looking into the butterfly netting before the release.

Below right: Baleigh Domogalla is visited by a newly released butterfly. (Submitted photos)



## Initiators Fellowship is open to nonprofits

Do you have a great idea to help solve a social issue but lack the resources to help fund and launch your business or nonprofit? You may be eligible for the Initiators Fellowship ([greaterminnesota.net/fellows/](http://greaterminnesota.net/fellows/)), a unique program focused on social entrepreneurship and rural revitalization.

Applications for the 2020-21 cohort opened May 15 and close July 15. The two-year Fellowship will award a \$30,000 annual stipend to up to seven early stage entrepreneurs who want to tackle a social challenge and pursue leadership growth. In addition to the annual stipend, Fellows benefit from an executive-level mentor, deep

programming, educational opportunities and support from dedicated staff members. A complete definition of social entrepreneurship and other details can be found at [greaterminnesota.net/fellows/resources/](http://greaterminnesota.net/fellows/resources/).

Eligible applicants must be 18 or older, can be a recent college graduate, a young professional, mid-career or in their encore career years. Additional requirements include living within one of the three participating Minnesota Initiative Foundation regions, or an adjacent tribal nation, for the two-year duration of the Fellowship term. Diversity is a core program value. Applicants with diverse

backgrounds, experiences, ability, economic status and perspectives are encouraged to apply.

The Fellowship was launched by the Initiative Foundation of Little Falls in 2016 and is now expanding to include the regions of Southwest Initiative Foundation and West Central Initiative, covering a total of 41 counties in Greater Minnesota. To read stories about our past Fellows, go to [greaterminnesota.net/fellows/fellow-alumni/](http://greaterminnesota.net/fellows/fellow-alumni/).

"The Initiators Fellowship is a big, bold strategy that provides the next generation of regional leaders the opportunity to use their entrepreneurial

spirit to address society's needs and contributing to rural revitalization while building the business and leadership capacity of Greater Minnesota," said Chris Fastner, Initiators Fellowship program manager.

The expansion of the Initiators Fellowship is made possible by generous funders, including Granite Equity Partners, an original funding partner, along with the Bush Foundation, Sourcewell and CliftonLarsonAllen.

To register for the July 10 webinar or to apply, visit [greaterminnesota.net/fellows/apply/](http://greaterminnesota.net/fellows/apply/).

## Student Achievements

**SAMANTHA THOMAS**, Pillager, has been named to the 2019 Spring Semester Dean's List at Bethel University, St. Paul. To qualify, students must achieve a grade point average of 3.6 or greater during the semester.



### Happy 50th Anniversary

**Larry and Barb Rach**

*Love, Your Children and Grandchildren*

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## Minnesotans challenged to end hunger during July campaign

### Staples Area Food Shelf participating

Hunger Solutions Minnesota and Open Your Heart to the Hungry and Homeless announces its July 2019 Food Shelf Challenge throughout Minnesota.

The Staples Area Food Shelf (SAFS) is once again participating in this food shelf challenge, said Frank Leidenfrost, SAFD Director.

Hunger Solutions Minnesota is the statewide organization that coordinates this challenge grant opportunity. Hunger Solutions works to end hunger via the Minnesota Food HelpLine and by advancing fair public nutrition policies on behalf of hungry Minnesotans. Hunger Solutions also connects Minnesota's food shelves with funding and technical

assistance to support the 9,000 daily food shelf visits.

Leidenfrost noted that, "You can make a difference this year by donating throughout the month of July. The more you donate, the larger our food shelf's grant from Open Your Heart to the Hungry and Homeless will be. The challenge funds will proportionally match your donation. Your financial donation will go further due to our buying power. We can purchase food from our food bank for pennies on the pound."

Since 1986, Open Your Heart to the Hungry and Homeless has targeted millions of dollars to strategically fight hunger in Minnesota. This organization funds the purchase and transfer of more

than one million pounds of fresh produce, meat and dairy products to food shelves every year. They also provide grants for food shelves and food banks to get the equipment they need - such as freezers, shelving and trucks - to be able to serve the growing number of Minnesotans who can't afford enough food for their families.

"The Staples Area Food Shelf is so very appreciative of the generosity and support we have received in the past and we hope that we can count on our community to help us have a successful July campaign," Leidenfrost said.

Donations can be mailed to: Staples Area Food Shelf, PO Box 82, Staples, MN, 56479.





Staples-Motley School Board Minutes

ISD #2170 SCHOOL BOARD MEETING #29 MONDAY, MAY 20, 2019, 6:00 p.m. District Office MINUTES

**Call to Order**  
The meeting was called to order with Longbella, Winkels, Frisk, Freeman, Anderson and Lund present (comprising a quorum). Also attending: Supt. Bratlie; Business Services, Herdegen; Principals Schmidt, Johnson and Regan; approx. 50 staff, students and community members; Rob Brown, Nexus; Staples World Editor, Anderson; and Recording Secretary, Madson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.  
**Motion** by Winkels, seconded by Frisk, to adopt the agenda as presented. MC  
The public was recognized and thanked for attending.  
**Canvass Election Results of May 14, 2019 Special Election**  
3. Present Clerk's Cer-

tificate of Abstract and Return of Votes Cast  
**Results** from the Bond Referendum election were canvassed. A total of 3528 ballots were cast.  
**Question 1**  
Yes 1,164 No 2,072 (22 under votes)  
**Question #2**  
Yes 1,080 No 2,147 (1 over vote / 30 under votes)  
**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Anderson, to approve the Resolution Canvassing Return of Votes for Ballot Question #1 Upon a roll call vote members Longbella, Anderson, Frisk, Winkels, Lund and Freeman voted in favor. MC  
**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to approve the Resolution Canvassing Return of Votes for Ballot Question #2. Upon a roll call vote members Longbella, Anderson, Frisk, Winkels, Lund and Freeman voted in favor. MC  
**Consent Agenda:**  
**Motion** by Winkels,

seconded by Longbella, to approve the Consent Agenda. MC  
**Finance Items**  
**Motion** by Freeman, seconded by Anderson, to approve the Financial Report and authorize payment of the vouchers. MC  
Approval of the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget was postponed until the June meeting. The budget must be approved by July 1, 2019.  
**Personnel:**  
**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Anderson, to approve the 2019-2020 contract for Mark Carlson, Head Wrestling Coach. MC  
**Motion** by Freeman, seconded by Longbella, to approve the 2019-2020 contract for Nick Doll, Head BBB coach. Voting in favor: Lund, Freeman, Longbella and Anderson Opposed: Frisk Winkels Abstained MC  
**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Winkels, to approve the 2019-2020 contract for Elizabeth Capistrant, EL Special Education, BA Step 3 MC  
**Motion** by Freeman, seconded by Lund to

approve the 2019-2020 contract for Lauren Hayes, EL Sped; MA Step 5 MC  
**Motion** by Winkels, seconded by Freeman, to approve the 2019-2020 contract for Carly Bell, Jumpstart Kindergarten; BA Step 1 MC  
**Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Freeman, to approve 2019-2020 contract for Heather Wiegand, 2nd Grade Classroom; BA Step 1 MC  
**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Winkels, to approve the hire of Millicent Navarro Leone, LCA aid; eff. May 9, 2019. MC  
**Motion** by Anderson, seconded by Winkels, to approve the FMLA request of Elizabeth Wright; approx., Oct. 30, 2019 - Jan. 22, 2020. MC  
**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Freeman, to accept the resignation of John Koopmann, Orchestra; eff. end of 2018-19 School Year. Discussion on potential savings with this position. This is a .67 FTE position; Member Freeman suggested posting as part time. MC

**Goals**  
An agenda item for the June 3 Work Session will be to review district goals; look at what's been accomplished as well as where the district goes from here.  
**BUILD 2170**  
Rob Brown, Nexus informed the Board that eight of 15 referenda recently failed. Possibility of having an outstate company conduct another community survey in Sept. Board Members had differing opinions on the effectiveness of another community survey.  
Mr. Bratlie informed the group that the district still has the same facility needs which will need to be addressed. He presented some funding options: LTFM Bonds / Levy over the max; Abatement for parking lots; and Lease Levy would be the most likely. The Board will look at these options again at the June 3 Work Session.  
**Reports:**  
School Board; FED - April 24, 2019 Minutes (FED will be moving to their new Wadena location in July);

Sourcewell - March 19 minutes  
Reports were heard from the Superintendent, Principals, a MSHSL update, an Activities update, and an SMEA update.  
**Adjournment**  
Motion by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. MC  
Respectfully Submitted  
Greg Frisk, Clerk  
**Complete minutes are available at www.isd2170.k12.mn.us** 27pnc  
**SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION - MEETING #30 MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2019 6:00 p.m. District Office 905 4th St. NE MINUTES**  
**Call to Order**  
The meeting was called to order with Winkels, Frisk, Freeman, Anderson and Lund present. Long-  
See **MINUTES** on page 10a

| CITY OF STAPLES<br>Summary Financial Report  |                     |                     |                             |  |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of financial information concerning the City of Staples to interested citizens. The complete financial statements may be examined at Staples City Hall at 122 6th St NE. Questions about this report should be directed to the City Clerk at (218) 894-2550 |                     |                     |                             |  |
| Revenue and Expenditures for General Operations<br>(Governmental Funds)  |                     |                     |                             |  |
|  | Total<br>2017       | Total<br>2018       | % Increase or<br>(Decrease) |  |
| <b>Revenues:</b>   |                     |                     |                             |  |
| Property Taxes   | \$ 912,896          | \$ 978,467          | 7.18%                       |  |
| Special Assessments  | 166,114             | 148,654             | -10.51%                     |  |
| Licenses and Permits   | 66,304              | 110,534             | 66.71%                      |  |
| Intergovernmental Revenues   | 1,414,309           | 1,414,056           | -0.02%                      |  |
| Charges for Services   | 216,626             | 28,921              | -86.65%                     |  |
| Fines and Forfeits   | 21,376              | 22,465              | 5.09%                       |  |
| Investment Earnings  | 33,925              | 44,225              | 30.36%                      |  |
| Miscellaneous  | 350,463             | 637,637             | 81.94%                      |  |
| <b>Total Revenues</b>  | <b>\$ 3,182,013</b> | <b>\$ 3,384,959</b> | <b>6.38%</b>                |  |
| <b>Per Capita</b>  | <b>1,084.53</b>     | <b>1,153.70</b>     | <b>6.38%</b>                |  |
| <b>Expenditures:</b>   |                     |                     |                             |  |
| <b>Current:</b>  |                     |                     |                             |  |
| General Government   | \$ 407,452          | \$ 413,009          | 1.36%                       |  |
| Public Safety  | 871,941             | 921,655             | 5.70%                       |  |
| Streets and Highways   | 471,237             | 433,236             | -8.06%                      |  |
| Economic Development   | 187,118             | 374,296             | 100.03%                     |  |
| Culture and Recreation   | 83,209              | 127,703             | 53.47%                      |  |
| Airport  | 55,961              | 85,429              | 52.66%                      |  |
| <b>Debt Service:</b>   |                     |                     |                             |  |
| Principal  | 501,455             | 479,000             | -4.48%                      |  |
| Interest and Other Charges   | 282,457             | 269,726             | -4.51%                      |  |
| <b>Capital Outlay</b>  | <b>923,382</b>      | <b>253,755</b>      | <b>-72.52%</b>              |  |
| <b>Total Expenditures</b>  | <b>\$ 3,784,212</b> | <b>\$ 3,357,809</b> | <b>12.70%</b>               |  |
| <b>Per Capita</b>  | <b>1,289.78</b>     | <b>1,144.45</b>     | <b>12.70%</b>               |  |
| <b>Total Long-term Indebtedness</b>  | <b>\$ 9,327,841</b> | <b>\$ 8,593,645</b> | <b>-7.87%</b>               |  |
| <b>Per Capita</b>  | <b>3,179.22</b>     | <b>2,928.99</b>     | <b>-7.87%</b>               |  |
| <b>General Fund &amp; Special Revenue Funds Unrestricted</b>   |                     |                     |                             |  |
| <b>Fund Balance - December 31</b>  | <b>\$ 350,145</b>   | <b>\$ 600,238</b>   | <b>71.43%</b>               |  |
| <b>Per Capita</b>  | <b>119.34</b>       | <b>204.58</b>       | <b>71.43%</b>               |  |

| CITY OF STAPLES<br>STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS<br>PROPRIETARY FUNDS<br>For the Year Ended December 31, 2018 |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
|   | Enterprise Funds    |                   |                   |                   |                     |
|   | Light               | Water             | Community Center  | Sewer             | Total               |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>   |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
| Receipts from customers   | \$ 3,257,226        | \$ 613,257        | \$ 126,827        | \$ 584,714        | \$ 4,582,024        |
| Payments to suppliers   | (2,147,393)         | (169,828)         | (94,601)          | (197,867)         | (2,609,689)         |
| Payments to employees   | (585,177)           | (196,818)         | (184,088)         | (203,478)         | (1,169,561)         |
| Net cash provided (used) by operating activities  | 524,656             | 246,611           | (151,862)         | 183,369           | 802,774             |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>  |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
| Property taxes and credits  | -                   | -                 | 58,134            | -                 | 58,134              |
| State aids  | -                   | -                 | 119,418           | -                 | 119,418             |
| Operating transfers (to) other funds  | (40,000)            | (20,000)          | -                 | -                 | (60,000)            |
| Net cash provided (used) by noncapital financing activities   | (40,000)            | (20,000)          | 177,552           | -                 | 117,552             |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>   |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
| Principal payments on revenue note  | (125,983)           | (123,000)         | -                 | -                 | (248,983)           |
| Miscellaneous non operating income  | -                   | -                 | -                 | 704               | 704                 |
| Interest payments on revenue note   | (38,660)            | (34,549)          | -                 | -                 | (73,209)            |
| Proceeds from operating grants and contributions  | 2,425               | 900               | 624               | 934               | 4,883               |
| Payment of interfund loan   | -                   | -                 | -                 | (10,000)          | (10,000)            |
| Acquisition and construction of capital assets  | (31,009)            | (200,674)         | -                 | (114,075)         | (345,758)           |
| Net cash used by capital and related financing activities   | (193,227)           | (357,323)         | 624               | (122,437)         | (672,363)           |
| <b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES</b>   |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
| Repayment from loan to other fund   | -                   | 10,000            | -                 | -                 | 10,000              |
| Interest received   | 11,470              | 5,250             | 4,404             | 1,821             | 22,945              |
| Net cash provided by investing activities   | 11,470              | 15,250            | 4,404             | 1,821             | 32,945              |
| <b>Net increase (decrease) in cash</b>  | <b>302,899</b>      | <b>(115,462)</b>  | <b>30,718</b>     | <b>62,753</b>     | <b>280,908</b>      |
| <b>Cash and investments at beginning of year</b>  | <b>964,987</b>      | <b>522,196</b>    | <b>390,590</b>    | <b>108,709</b>    | <b>1,986,482</b>    |
| <b>Cash and investments at end of year</b>  | <b>\$ 1,267,886</b> | <b>\$ 406,734</b> | <b>\$ 421,308</b> | <b>\$ 171,462</b> | <b>\$ 2,267,390</b> |
| <b>Reconciliation of operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:</b>                 |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
| Operating income (loss)   | \$ 424,780          | \$ 106,179        | \$ (177,710)      | \$ 48,399         | \$ 401,648          |
| Adjustments to reconcile operating income to net cash provided by operating activities:                 |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
| Depreciation  | 132,581             | 161,317           | 26,630            | 117,268           | 437,796             |
| Pension and OPEB related activity   | (16,116)            | (5,825)           | (3,730)           | (5,997)           | (31,668)            |
| <b>Change in assets and liabilities:</b>  |                     |                   |                   |                   |                     |
| Accounts receivable   | 7,044               | 2,475             | (1,759)           | 1,223             | 8,983               |
| Due from other governmental units   | -                   | -                 | (117)             | -                 | (117)               |
| Taxes receivable  | -                   | -                 | 726               | -                 | 726                 |
| Inventories   | 6,209               | (2,086)           | -                 | -                 | 4,123               |
| Prepaid expenses  | 17                  | 1,298             | (1,037)           | (183)             | 95                  |
| Accounts payable  | (18,280)            | (19,811)          | 3,047             | 22,878            | (12,166)            |
| Gain on sale of asset   | 2,924               | 4,512             | -                 | -                 | 7,436               |
| Deposits  | 4,700               | -                 | -                 | -                 | 4,700               |
| Severance payable   | (19,203)            | (1,448)           | 2,088             | (219)             | (18,782)            |
| Net cash provided (used) by operating activities  | \$ 524,656          | \$ 246,611        | \$ (151,862)      | \$ 183,369        | \$ 802,774          |

| CITY OF STAPLES<br>STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN FUND NET POSITION<br>PROPRIETARY FUNDS<br>For the Year Ended December 31, 2018 |                  |              |                  |              |              |
|--|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Enterprise Funds |              |                  |              |              |
|  | Light            | Water        | Community Center | Sewer        | Total        |
| <b>REVENUES</b>  |                  |              |                  |              |              |
| Charges for services   | \$ 3,126,500     | \$ 560,340   | \$ 127,977       | \$ 584,217   | \$ 4,399,034 |
| Miscellaneous  | 135,557          | 41,465       | -                | -            | 177,022      |
| Total operating revenues   | 3,262,057        | 601,805      | 127,977          | 584,217      | 4,576,056    |
| <b>OPERATING EXPENSES</b>  |                  |              |                  |              |              |
| Personal services  | 549,858          | 189,545      | 179,446          | 197,265      | 1,116,114    |
| Professional fees  | 16,807           | 1,168        | 5,404            | 18,309       | 41,688       |
| Utilities  | 17,175           | 35,121       | 44,006           | 70,304       | 166,606      |
| Rent   | 11,334           | -            | -                | -            | 11,334       |
| Purchase of energy   | 1,758,935        | -            | -                | -            | 1,758,935    |
| Other services, supplies and repairs   | 187,633          | 102,701      | 46,899           | 124,085      | 461,318      |
| Insurance  | 9,338            | 5,774        | 3,302            | 8,587        | 27,001       |
| Franchise fee expense  | 153,616          | -            | -                | -            | 153,616      |
| Depreciation   | 132,581          | 161,317      | 26,630           | 117,268      | 437,796      |
| Total operating expenses   | 2,837,277        | 495,626      | 305,687          | 535,818      | 4,174,408    |
| Operating income (loss)  | 424,780          | 106,179      | (177,710)        | 48,399       | 401,648      |
| <b>NON OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)</b>   |                  |              |                  |              |              |
| Property taxes   | -                | -            | 58,134           | -            | 58,134       |
| Intergovernmental revenue  | -                | -            | 119,418          | -            | 119,418      |
| Interest and investment revenue  | 11,470           | 5,250        | 4,404            | 1,821        | 22,945       |
| Miscellaneous revenue  | 1,441            | -            | -                | 704          | 2,145        |
| Operating grants and contributions   | 2,425            | 900          | 624              | 934          | 4,883        |
| Interest expense   | (38,660)         | (24,589)     | -                | -            | (63,249)     |
| Total non operating revenues (expenses)  | (23,324)         | (18,439)     | 182,580          | 3,459        | 144,276      |
| Change in net position before transfers and special items  | 401,456          | 87,740       | 4,870            | 51,858       | 545,924      |
| Transfers out  | (40,000)         | (20,000)     | -                | -            | (60,000)     |
| Special item - gain on sale of fixed assets  | 1,482            | 4,512        | -                | -            | 5,994        |
| Change in net position   | 362,938          | 72,252       | 4,870            | 51,858       | 491,918      |
| Net position - beginning, as originally reported   | 2,216,599        | 4,222,903    | 473,965          | 2,639,174    | 9,552,641    |
| Change in accounting principle - OPEB  | (44,813)         | (15,300)     | (8,026)          | (15,467)     | (83,606)     |
| Net position - beginning, as restated  | 2,171,786        | 4,207,603    | 465,939          | 2,623,707    | 9,469,035    |
| Net position - ending  | \$ 2,534,724     | \$ 4,279,855 | \$ 470,809       | \$ 2,675,565 | \$ 9,960,953 |

| CITY OF STAPLES<br>STATEMENT OF NET POSITION<br>PROPRIETARY FUNDS<br>December 31, 2018 |                  |              |                  |              |               |
|--|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
|  | Enterprise Funds |              |                  |              |               |
|  | Light            | Water        | Community Center | Sewer        | Total         |
| <b>ASSETS</b>  |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Current assets:  |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Cash and investments   | \$ 1,123,561     | \$ 403,734   | \$ 421,308       | \$ 171,462   | \$ 2,120,065  |
| Restricted cash  | 144,325          | 3,000        | -                | -            | 147,325       |
| Accounts receivable, net   | 295,674          | 46,911       | 1,869            | 50,972       | 395,426       |
| Receivables from other governmental units  | -                | -            | 7,919            | -            | 7,919         |
| Taxes receivable   | -                | -            | 69               | -            | 69            |
| Inventories  | 111,563          | 26,707       | -                | -            | 138,270       |
| Prepaid expenses   | 9,428            | 1,747        | 1,037            | 3,402        | 15,614        |
| Total current assets   | 1,684,551        | 482,099      | 432,202          | 225,836      | 2,824,688     |
| Net capital assets   | 3,174,032        | 5,030,206    | 159,220          | 2,646,825    | 11,010,283    |
| Total assets   | 4,858,583        | 5,512,305    | 591,422          | 2,872,661    | 13,834,971    |
| <b>DEFERRED OUTFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>  |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Pension plan deferrals - PERA and OPEB   | 66,082           | 22,040       | 11,287           | 15,381       | 114,790       |
| Total assets and deferred outflows of resources  | \$ 4,924,665     | \$ 5,534,345 | \$ 602,709       | \$ 2,888,042 | \$ 13,949,761 |
| <b>LIABILITIES</b>   |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Current liabilities:   |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Accounts payable   | \$ 165,928       | \$ 5,144     | \$ 8,382         | \$ 36,031    | \$ 215,485    |
| Accrued interest payable   | -                | 14,615       | -                | -            | 14,615        |
| Deposits   | 144,325          | 3,000        | -                | -            | 147,325       |
| Current portion notes payable  | 128,606          | 124,000      | -                | -            | 252,606       |
| Total current liabilities  | 438,859          | 146,759      | 8,382            | 36,031       | 630,031       |
| Non-current liabilities:   |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Severance/vacation payable   | 62,107           | 31,741       | 2,088            | 27,239       | 123,175       |
| Net pension and OPEB liability   | 373,075          | 125,046      | 95,343           | 117,345      | 710,809       |
| Notes payable  | 1,420,645        | 918,000      | -                | -            | 2,338,645     |
| Total non-current liabilities  | 1,855,827        | 1,074,787    | 97,431           | 144,584      | 3,172,629     |
| Total liabilities  | 2,294,686        | 1,221,546    | 105,813          | 180,615      | 3,802,660     |
| <b>DEFERRED INFLOWS OF RESOURCES</b>   |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Pension/OPEB plan deferrals-PERA/OPEB  | 95,255           | 32,944       | 26,087           | 31,862       | 186,148       |
| <b>NET POSITION</b>  |                  |              |                  |              |               |
| Net investment in capital assets   | 1,624,781        | 3,988,206    | 159,220          | 2,646,825    | 8,419,032     |
| Restricted for debt service  | 162,382          | -            | -                | -            | 162,382       |
| Unrestricted   | 747,561          | 291,649      | 311,589          | 28,740       | 1,379,539     |
| Total net position   | 2,534,724        | 4,279,855    | 470,809          | 2,675,565    | 9,960,953     |
| Total liabilities, deferred inflows of resources and net position                      | \$ 4,924,665     | \$ 5,534,345 | \$ 602,709       | \$ 2,888,042 | \$ 13,949,761 |



# Staples Motley School Board Minutes

**MINUTES**  
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bella arrived later. Also attending: Supt. Bratlie; Business Services, Herdeggen; Principal Regan; Building and Grounds, Peterson; IT, Waldvogel; Northland Securities, Greg Baufield; Staples World Editor, Anderson; three community members; and Recording Secretary, Madson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Motion** by Winkels, seconded by Freeman, to adopt the agenda as presented.

**BUILD 2170 and funding options**

A handout was presented which included infrastructure and Required Capital Maintenance Planning.

- Strategic projects were outlined which included remodeling projects needed to house students within two buildings next year.

- Potential projects at each site were listed with a dollar amount. HVAC is the #1 priority

- Non-voter funding options were presented and include LTFM; Lease Levy, HVAC and Abatement. Dollar amounts and estimated tax amounts were given.

- Next step options were looked at: Post mortem survey of the community; Communication plan, non-voter approved funding, repurpose of the Motley building.

Three members of the audience were asked what they would support. Answers were: Honesty to the community; transparency; keep the building plan simple; more educa-

tional areas and less gym and extravagant space; make it easy to heat and cool; solar tubes instead of skylights.

Following some discussion regarding another community survey, it was decided that Lund would call incoming Supt. Tappe. Freeman and Winkels indicated they would like to be involved with the planning of the survey questions if the district decides to go ahead with it.

August 1 is the deadline to approve moving ahead with a lease levy (non-voter approved). It's recommended to levy for the max as it can be decreased but not increased and the option would also be open to try for a referendum vote again.

**Review of the District Goals**

The goals which were set during the re-start campaign in 2016-2017 were reviewed. Most of the goals have been met or are in place and on-going.

**Personnel**

The Community Education / Activities Coordinator Contract Agreement was reviewed and discussed. The agreement uses language from both the Administrator and the Professional contracts. The Board will take action during the meeting following the Work Session.

**Adjournment**

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to adjourn the meeting. MC 27pnc

**SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING #31 MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2019 District Office**

**905 4th St. NE**  
**Immediately following the Work Session**

**MINUTES**  
**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order with Longbella, Winkels, Frisk, Freeman, Anderson and Lund present (comprising a quorum). Also attending: Supt. Bratlie; Business Services, Herdeggen; Principal Regan; Staples World Editor, Anderson and Recording Secretary, Madson.

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Anderson, to adopt the agenda as presented.

**Personnel**

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Frisk, to approve the 2019-2020 Community Education / Activities Coordinator Contract Agreement with Blake Boran; \$65,000. MC

**Motion** by Longbella, seconded by Anderson, to approve the 12 month FED Community Education Service Agreement for the Community Education License (Jerry Nesland; License #182181); \$500. MC

**Motion** by Frisk, seconded by Anderson, to approve the decrease in contract time for Jenna (Smith) Storry, Payroll / HR / Risk Management; 260 days to 240 days

**Adjournment**  
Motion by Winkels, seconded by Lund, to adjourn the meeting. MC

Respectfully submitted,  
Greg Frisk, Clerk 27pnc



## Scenes from the June Fest Parade

Motley June Fest Parade's Most Entertaining and Best Theme went to Motley Lions, which received \$50 cash and a June Fest t-shirt. But there were plenty more interesting scenes at the parade on June 22. (Staples World photos by Mark Anderson)



## Grand Marshal grandpa

After serving as grand marshal at the June Fest parade June 22, Don Delude of Motley enjoyed spending time with his great-grandchildren Oliver (left) and Avery Melchert from Maple Lake. (Staples World photo by Dawn Timbs)

## Public Notices

**TODD-WADENA COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

The Todd-Wadena Community Corrections Executive Committee will meet Monday, July 8, 2019 at 5:00 p.m., at the Wadena County Attorney's Office, 415 Jefferson Street South, Suite C, Wadena, MN 56482.

Curtis Bryniarski  
Administrative Assistant 27pnc

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF DISSOLUTION OF DEVLIN NEWSPAPERS, INC.**

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305 Ravilla Avenue  
Staples, MN 56479

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Any claims submitted after the initial 90-day period will be barred, subject to some statutory exceptions..

24-27pnc

**NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE**

Date: June 24, 2019

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

1. Default has occurred in the conditions of the Mortgage dated June 12, 2014, executed by Henry

A. Becker and Jennifer L. Becker, married to each other, as Mortgagors, to Compeer Financial, FLCA f/k/a AgStar Financial Services, FLCA, as Mortgagee, and filed for record June 16, 2014, as Document No. 489913, in the Office of the County Recorder of Todd County, Minnesota. The land described in the Mortgage is not registered land.

2. The Mortgage has not been assigned.

3. The original principal amount secured by the Mortgage was \$184,500.00.

4. No action or proceeding at law is now pending to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof.

5. The holder of the Mortgage has complied with all conditions precedent to acceleration of the debt secured by the Mortgage and foreclosure of the Mortgage, and all notice and other requirements of applicable statutes.

6. At the date of this Notice the amount due on the Mortgage, and taxes, if any, paid by the holder of the Mortgage is \$117,571.66.

7. Pursuant to the power of sale in the Mortgage, the Mortgage will be foreclosed, and the land located in Todd County, Minnesota, described as follows:

The W1/2 of NE1/4 and the NE1/4 of NE1/4, Section 36, Township 130, Range 33, Todd County, Minnesota

will be sold by the County Sheriff of Todd County, Minnesota, at public auction on August 15, 2019, at 10:00 a.m., at the Todd County Sheriff's Department, located at 115 Third Street South, Long Prairie, Minnesota.

8. To the best of Mortgagee's information, the property being foreclosed has a property address of 28275 - 280th Street, Long Prairie, MN 56347, and has tax parcel identification number 12-0039000.

9. The time allowed by law for redemption by Mortgagors or Mortgagors' personal representatives or assigns is twelve (12) months after the date of sale.

10. The property must be vacated by 11:59 p.m. on

August 15, 2020, provided the Mortgagors have not reinstated the Mortgage under Minnesota Statutes, Section 580.30 or redeemed the property under Minnesota Statutes, Section 580.23. If the foregoing date is a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday, then the date to vacate is the next business day at 11:59 p.m.

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Attorneys for Mortgagee 27-32pnc

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF DISSOLUTION OF SAMS FARM, INC.**

Please take notice that Sams Farm, Inc. is in the process of dissolving.

Sams Farm, Inc. filed the Notice of Intent to Dissolve with the Minnesota Secretary of State on June 12, 2019.

To present written claims against Sams Farm, Inc., you must send them to the following address:

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Wyoming, MN 55092

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Any claims submitted after the initial 90-day period will be barred, subject to some statutory exceptions..

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## CONGRATULATIONS STATE GOLF PARTICIPANTS!

•Beck Erholtz•  
27th place (tie)

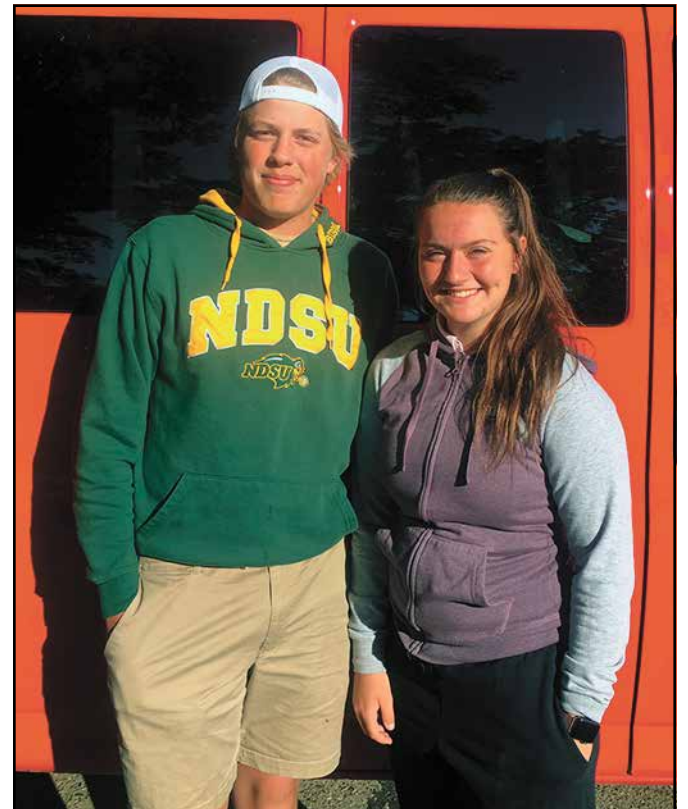
•Adrianna Dickey •  
62nd place (tie)



Beck Erholtz and Adrianna Dickey  
Boy's and Girl's State Golf competition  
was played at Ridges at Sand Creek  
in Jordan June 11-12, 2019



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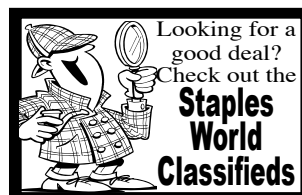
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### Houses for Rent

**STAPLES:** \$600/mo., available July 1. 218-851-2318. 26-27p

The Staples World Office will be closed  
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 and Friday, July 5  
 All advertising copy due by 5 p.m.  
 Weds., July 3.

## GARAGE SALES

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**MOVING/MULTI-FAMILY SALE - ONE DAY ONLY:** Sat., July 13, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. 3525 330th St., Motley. Edina Realty sign at driveway. Furniture, dishes, clothing: men's, women's, Juniors - name brands. Hunting, fishing, sports gear, framed prints, books, Lund boat w/trailer, decoys, knick knacks, violin/ bow, wood stove a lot more. ssw27-28p

**GARAGE SALE:** Thurs., July 4, Fri., July 5, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. 10950 Cty 32 SW, Motley, Goffs. ssw27p

**RUMMAGE/BAG SALE:** Fri., July 12 - Sat., July 13, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Sacred Heart Area School, Staples: We've had a terrific sale, but so many good items remain we're adding another BAG SALE. \$2/ bag - some new items added. No more donations accepted. ssw27-28

**5 FAMILY GARAGE SALE:** Weds., July 3, 4-8 p.m., Thurs., July 4 - Sat., July 6, 8 a.m. - ? **STAPLES:** From CLC 4-way stop, go east, 2nd house on right, **SIGNS** - Yungbauer's. Tons of stuff- all sizes name brand clothing, baby equipment, patio furniture, furniture, dressers, appliances, home décor, building materials, tools, books, VHS tapes, toys. w27p

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## NOTICES

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## Auctions

**TOM & CAROLYN TROSSEN AUCTION:**  
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## Notices

**St. Jude's Novena:**  
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## SERVICES &amp; EMPLOYMENT

## 205

## Help Wanted

**BAXTER: FT & PT RESIDENT ASSISTANTS/ HOME HEALTH AIDES. ALL SHIFTS; PLUS SIGN-ON BONUS.** Some caregiving experience preferred. Apply at: [ebenezer-fairview.icims.com/jobs/36106/resident-assistants--full-and-part-time/job](http://ebenezer-fairview.icims.com/jobs/36106/resident-assistants--full-and-part-time/job). 27-30p

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## TWO JOB VACANCIES

## CASS COUNTY HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

## MOTOR EQUIPMENT OPERATORS

These positions are a Grade 21 with a present hourly range of \$19.86 - \$25.94 (DOQ). 40 hours per week. Fringe benefits. We have two positions to fill located at: 4972 112th Street SW Pillager, MN 56473 and 409 Industrial Ave NW Remer, MN 56672

**Minimum Training, Experience or Certifications:** At a minimum a high school degree or its equivalent, with knowledge of operating heavy equipment activities with two to four years' experience, in the same. Must possess a valid Class A CDL (Commercial Driver's License) endorsement and a valid Driver's License.

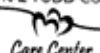
**To Apply:** Please submit a Cass County Application to Kelsey Schwartz by mail or e-mail. Application materials can be obtained by visiting [www.co.cass.mn.us](http://www.co.cass.mn.us) and clicking on the "Employment" tab or contact Kelsey Schwartz, Human Resource and Payroll Benefits Coordinator, Cass County Administrator's Office, PO Box 3000, Walker, MN 56484. Phone: (218) 547-7279 Email: [kelsey.schwartz@co.cass.mn.us](mailto:kelsey.schwartz@co.cass.mn.us)

CLOSING DATE: Friday, July 12th at 4:30 p.m.

Applicants may call or write to request reasonable accommodation to complete the job application or attend an interview.

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## CENTRAL TODD COUNTY



## Central Todd County Care Center is seeking

## Certified Nursing Assistants

We are in search of someone who is looking for a rewarding job in the Nursing field. Evening and Night shifts now available for CNAs. Must be a TEAM player and possess a special interest in working with Long Term Care residents, families, and visitors.

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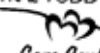
Contact Amanda Rickbeil, [arickbeil@ctcccinc.com](mailto:arickbeil@ctcccinc.com) or call 218-756-3636 ext. 12

Pick up an application in the Business Office, or after hours at the Nurse's Station.

Business Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
CENTRAL TODD COUNTY CARE CENTER IS LOCATED IN CLARISSA, MN.

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## CENTRAL TODD COUNTY



## Central Todd County Care Center

## RN/LPN

## position available

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Contact Amanda Rickbeil: [arickbeil@ctcccinc.com](mailto:arickbeil@ctcccinc.com) or call 218-756-3636 ext. 12

Pick up an application in the Business Office during business hours: Monday - Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.  
Or after hours at the Nurse's Station.  
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Duties will include, but are not limited to, answering and routing phone calls, directing walk-in traffic to the appropriate department, and providing basic information to residents. The right candidate must be able to commit to working the same days/hours every week during the temporary assignment, be reliable, able to work independently, and have a friendly demeanor. The position is expected to last 12-18 weeks. The pay for this position is \$9.86/hour, is not benefit eligible, and is subject to a background check prior to hire. To apply, fill out an application (available at City Hall or at [cityofmotley.com](http://cityofmotley.com)) and return it to City Hall or [cityofmotley@brainerd.net](mailto:cityofmotley@brainerd.net). Contact **Lacey Smieja at 218-352-6200** with any questions. Applications will be reviewed as they are received. EOE



## WADENA COUNTY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

## Human Resource Specialist

**POSITION SUMMARY:** An opening exists with Wadena County for one (1) full time Human Resource Specialist position. The primary role of this position is consulting, policy interpretation/analysis, staffing, onboarding, training and development, performance management, employee services, compliance reporting, personnel administration and records, compensation/benefits, budgeting, labor negotiations, and risk management in compliance with statute and policy.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** \*This position requires an Associate Degree in Human Resources or related, 3 year's experience in Human Resources and 2 years of experience in accounting/payroll.

**SALARY:** Grade 53, Step 1, \$20.54 per hour, to Step 10, \$28.00 per hour, depending on qualifications and experience, plus an excellent benefit package.

FLSA, STATUS: Exempt, Non Union

## Highway Maintenance Worker III

**POSITION SUMMARY:** An opening exists at the Wadena County Highway Department for one (1) full time Highway Maintenance Worker III position. The primary role is to safely perform general road and bridge maintenance in variable work environments. General maintenance activities include truck driving for snow removal/ice control, crack/pothole filling, gravel shouldering, road re-graveling and vegetation control, culvert installation, sign maintenance, light-heavy equipment operation, routine maintenance of equipment/trucks, and working with hand/shop tools.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**  
\* Valid Class 'A' Commercial Driver's License without an airbrake restriction  
\* Ability to perform strenuous physical labor under less than desirable conditions and ability to lift 70-100+ lbs.

**SALARY:** Grade 51, Step 1, \$15.19 per hour, to Step 10, \$21.71 per hour, depending on qualifications and experience, plus an excellent benefit package.

FLSA, STATUS: Non-Exempt, Union

## Seasonal-Temporary Highway Maintenance Worker I

**POSITION SUMMARY:** This position assists the department in routine summer maintenance activities. Applicants shall be safety conscious and able to work both independently and as a team member. This is a non-union position that will begin in July and end in late August or September. Actual dates will depend on need as determined by the County Engineer.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:** Persons interested in this position shall have a valid Minnesota Driver's License, like to work outdoors and have experience in operating a farm type tractor or other similar equipment. Applicants shall be currently enrolled in high school or in college, and must be 18 years old prior to the start of employment.

**SALARY:** A person in this position will typically work four (4) ten hour days (40 hours) per week at a starting pay rate set at \$12.00/hour.

**HOW TO APPLY:** Required application materials and job description are available at: [www.co.wadena.mn.us](http://www.co.wadena.mn.us), the Wadena County Human Rights Officer in the Human Resources office in the Wadena County Courthouse, 415 Jefferson Street S, Wadena, MN 56482. Completed Wadena County Applications for Employment may be emailed to [hr@co.wadena.mn.us](mailto:hr@co.wadena.mn.us), or mailed/delivered to the Wadena County Human Resources Office.

Applications must be received by the Human Resources Department or emailed no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 9, 2019.

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**Miscellaneous PLAT BOOKS AVAILABLE IN COLOR:** Todd, Morrison, Crow Wing and Wadena counties, \$40 plus \$2.95 tax. Staples World Office. txf







Paying respect, from Staples to France

Lee Jenkins places an American flag at a grave site for D-Day soldiers. “I jumped the fence and showed them my Staples World press pass, and asked

if I could put a flag by the grave,” said Jenkins. “They looked at each other and said ‘sure, go ahead.’”



Band of reenactors

Leaving Omaha Beach, the Staples “Band of Relatives” came across this group of “Band of Brothers” reen-

actors. “There were reenactors everywhere,” said Lee Jenkins.



Iconic church in Ste. Mere-Eglise

A parachute with a mannequin of a soldier still hangs at the church at Sainte-Mère-Eglise, the first village in Normandy liberated by the United States Army on D-Day. On that day, American para-

trooper John Steele had his parachute caught on the tower, and pretended to be dead for two hours so he wouldn’t be shot by German soldiers.

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Celebrating liberation like it was 1944

the same airplane (Daisy) and landed in the exact same field as his grand-uncle did in 1944. It was awesome, we wished we could have talked to him, but the security wouldn’t allow us on the landing site. So, we started for our hotel in hopes that we could get something to eat. We were re-routed to Caen, we found a restaurant open and ate a good meal and headed home. On the way the security had already set up the barricades on the roads for the June 6 special ceremony. It took us until 1 a.m. to get back. Another very long day.

DAY THREE, JUNE 6 - Up early again, we drove a long way out of way (because of the barricades) to get to Ste. Mere-Eglise. The town was completely full of reenactors, really kind of neat. They were

celebrating their liberation as they did in 1944. We stood in line for two hours waiting to get something to eat and drink. We talked to many people in the line and around us (they were all so nice). While there, we noticed the famous church where “Red Buttons” in the movie “The Longest Day” had his parachute get caught on the church steeple and wouldn’t you know there was the parachute with a dummy hanging there. The real paratrooper that did land there was shot in the heel of his boot, he played dead and was later rescued by his comrades. After buying some souvenirs, we then ventured to “Utah Beach.” We walked a long way down that beach to an overturned “Higgins Boat” and we explored many German bunkers, a monument to all the brave

soldiers who didn’t make it and to those who did along with mentioning the names of ships that participated. We went to the museum and a bar that was full of actual remnants of the war at Utah Beach. We were treated by a fly-over by the British Red Flying team as they were headed toward the June 6 Commemoration with all the dignitaries present (as seen by the entire world).

DAY FOUR, JUNE 7 - Left very early to get to the Paris Airport to complete our stay in Europe. The six of us then flew to Aberdeen, Scotland. It’s a story to tell at a later time as it was full of fun and tension. We visited three distilleries and three castles and spent a lot of time looking for “Nessie” the “Lochness Monster.” Sadly, we didn’t achieve our goal.



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